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## Governor Haslam Outlines Initiatives to Support Teachers

At last week's Learning Forward conference, Gov. Bill Haslam announced several key initiatives to support Tennessee teachers in response to direct feedback from educators across the state. The proposals reflect input that the governor received during statewide meetings with more than 150 educators and the education summit he co-hosted in September. For more information about these initiatives, please check out [our website](#).

## 2013-14 Evaluation Data Close-Out

Last week, we sent completion reports for the 2013-14 school year to directors of schools. As a reminder, ***we will close off the ability to make changes to 2013-14 evaluation data on Monday, Jan. 5***. At that point, we will be unable to make corrections related to outstanding grievances, data entry errors, or incomplete achievement scores. Educators without complete data will receive partial year exemptions. If you have any questions about this process, please reach out to [TEAM.Questions@tn.gov](mailto:TEAM.Questions@tn.gov) as soon as possible.

## Observation Entry Deadline Reminder

As we approach the holiday season, please remember that the observation entry deadline for fall observations is **Monday, Jan. 5** for teacher observations and **Thursday, Jan. 15** for administrator observations. It is especially important to meet the entry deadline for administrator observations, as first semester observations are weighted one-third and second semester observations are weighted two-thirds. In order to avoid a burdensome amount of data entry during the holidays and provide more transparency for those being observed, it is important to enter and submit observations into CODE as you go.

## January TEAM Trainings

Our January TEAM Teacher and Administrator Evaluator training sessions are open for registration. To get signed up for one of these sessions, please click on the appropriate link below. These will be the only additional trainings we will offer prior to our summer sessions, so if you have anyone who will need to conduct observations during the 2014-15 school year who is not yet certified, it is imperative that they sign up for one of these sessions. If you have any questions, please send an email to [TNE.D.Registration@tn.gov](mailto:TNE.D.Registration@tn.gov).

- **TEAM Teacher Evaluator:**
  - [Nashville, TN: Jan. 6-7, 8:30-4:30](#)
  - [Knoxville, TN: Jan. 12-13, 8:30-4:30](#)
  - [Jackson, TN: Jan. 29-30, 8:30-4:30](#)
- **TEAM Administrator Evaluator:**
  - [Nashville, TN: Jan. 9, 8:30-4:30](#)
  - [Knoxville, TN: Jan. 14, 8:30-4:30](#)
  - [Jackson, TN: Jan. 26, 8:30-4:30](#)

# Upcoming Deadlines

- Complete fall observation entry for teachers in CODE by **Monday, Jan. 5.**
- Finalize all 2013-14 data in CODE by **Monday, Jan. 5.**
- Complete fall observation entry for administrators in CODE by **Thursday, Jan. 15.**

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